# WORLD WAR II

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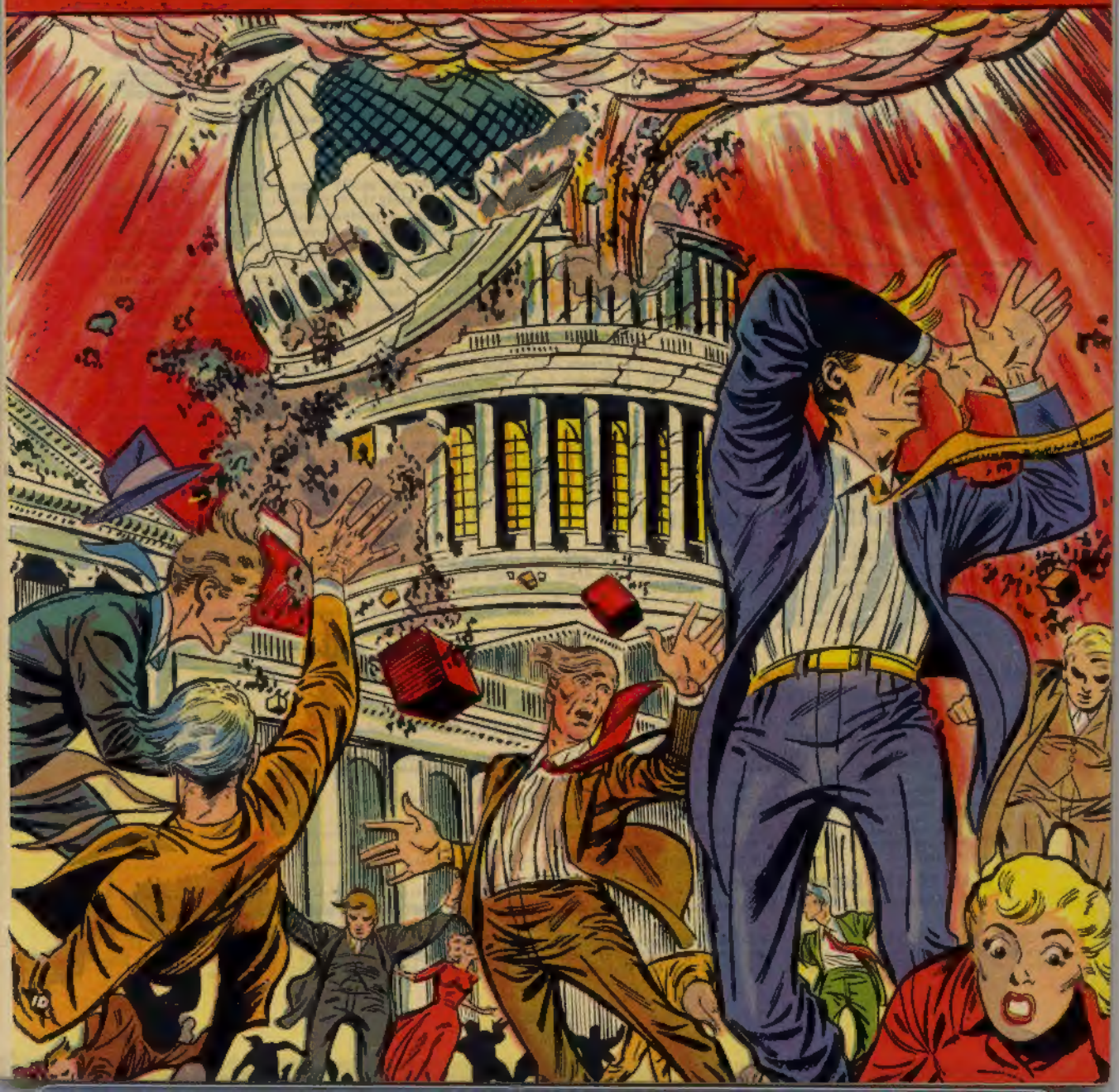
The War that Will Never Happen
if America Remains Strong and Alert



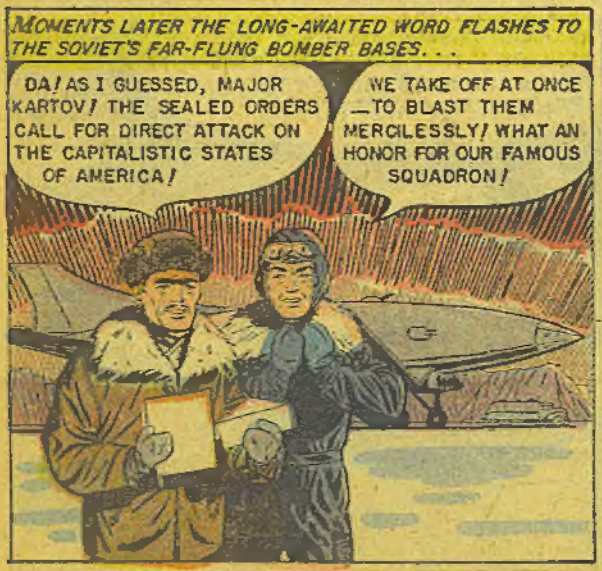
Let the reason for publishing this shocking account of World War III be completely clear. We want only to awaken America... and the world... to grim facts. The one way to prevent this mass destruction of humanity is to prepare *NOW*. Only a super-strong and fully enlightened America can stop this onrushing horror of the future!

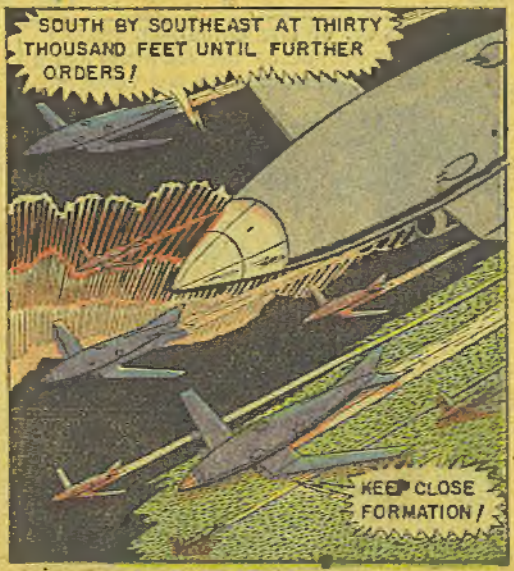
THE EDITORS

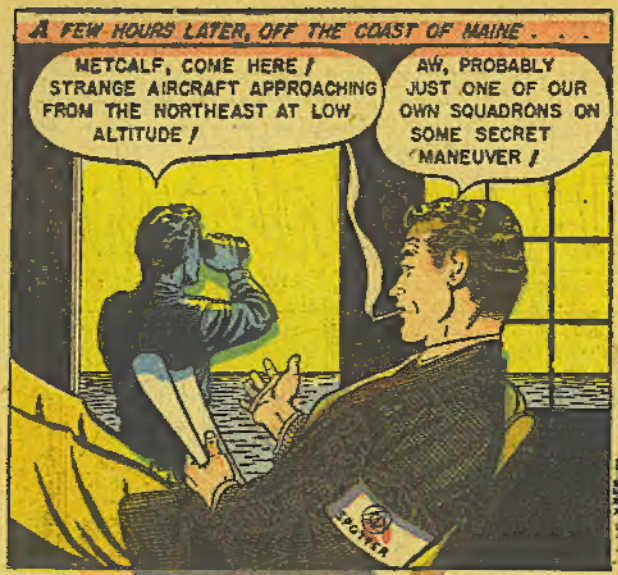
# WORLD WAR III Unleashed

*THIS IS THE SUMMER OF 1960. WE HAVE FOR SO LONG BEEN SAYING "THE RUSSIANS DON'T DARE ATTACK"-- WE HAVE COME TO BELIEVE IT. ON THIS HOT SUMMER AFTERNOON AMERICANS' MAIN CONCERNS ARE THE GIANTS' PENNANT CHANCES, VACATION PLANS, JUNIOR'S NEW TOOTH. ALL THE SMALL AND PLEASANT BITS OF BUSINESS THAT MAKE EVERYDAY LIFE AS WE KNOW IT IN BLESSED PEACE TIME. BUT AT THIS SAME FATEFUL MOMENT IN THE SECRET KREMLIN HEADQUARTERS OF RUSSIA'S MILITARY RULERS...*

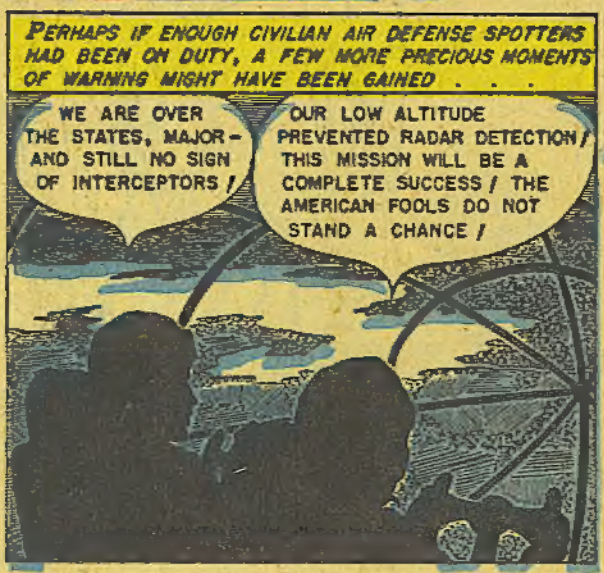
*MOMENTS LATER THE LONG-AWAITED WORD FLASHES TO THE SOVIET'S FAR-FLUNG BOMBER BASES...*


DA! AS I GUESSED, MAJOR KARTOV! THE SEALED ORDERS CALL FOR DIRECT ATTACK ON THE CAPITALISTIC STATES OF AMERICA!
WE TAKE OFF AT ONCE —TO BLAST THEM MERCILESSLY! WHAT AN HONOR FOR OUR FAMOUS SQUADRON!

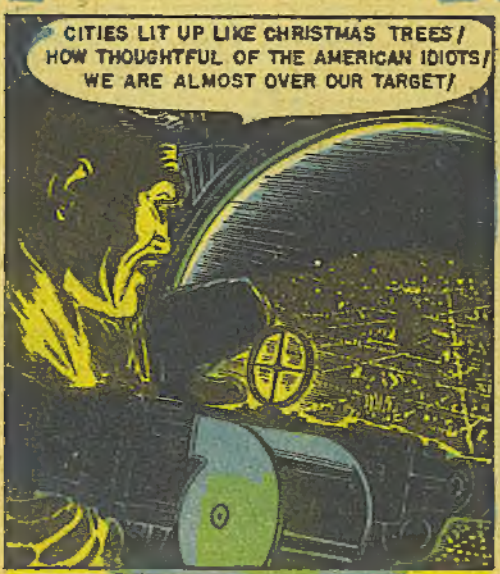


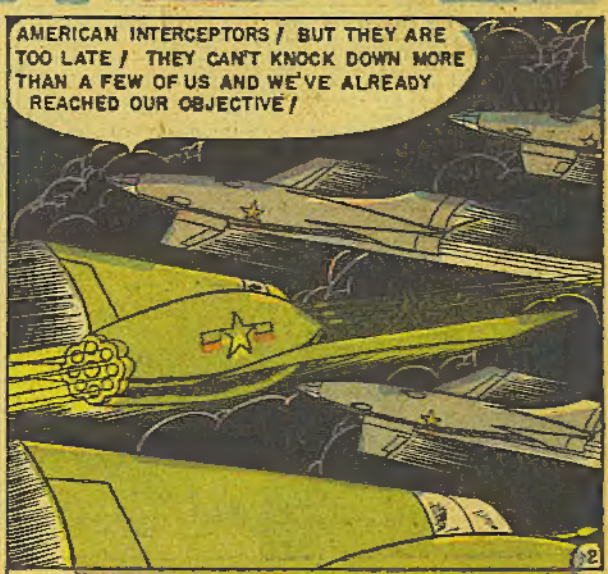

A FEW HOURS LATER, OFF THE COAST OF MAINE . . .
METCALF, COME HERE! STRANGE AIRCRAFT APPROACHING FROM THE NORTHEAST AT LOW ALTITUDE!
AW, PROBABLY JUST ONE OF OUR OWN SQUADRONS ON SOME SECRET MANEUVER!
SPOTTER

AT THE SAME MOMENT, IN THE NORTHWEST STATE OF WASHINGTON . . .
I'M ALMOST POSITIVE, COLONEL, THAT THEY'RE ENEMY PLANES! I KNOW IT'S UNBELIEVABLE, BUT . . .
ROGER! WILL CHECK ON FLIGHTS IN YOUR AREA INSTANTLY!


PERHAPS IF ENOUGH CIVILIAN AIR DEFENSE SPOTTERS HAD BEEN ON DUTY, A FEW MORE PRECIOUS MOMENTS OF WARNING MIGHT HAVE BEEN GAINED . . .
WE ARE OVER THE STATES, MAJOR— AND STILL NO SIGN OF INTERCEPTORS!
OUR LOW ALTITUDE PREVENTED RADAR DETECTION! THIS MISSION WILL BE A COMPLETE SUCCESS! THE AMERICAN FOOLS DO NOT STAND A CHANCE!

THE SAME SCENE OF DOUBT AND CONFUSION TAKES PLACE AT AIR FORCE HEADQUARTERS ALL OVER THE NATION . . .
I'VE CHECKED COMPLETE! THERE IS NO FLIGHT SCHEDULED OVER AREA A, SECTION M!
THEN THE CIVILIAN SPOTTER WAS RIGHT! IT IS AN ENEMY ATTACK! ALERT ALL FIGHTER COMMANDS!


CITIES LIT UP LIKE CHRISTMAS TREES! HOW THOUGHTFUL OF THE AMERICAN IDIOTS! WE ARE ALMOST OVER OUR TARGET!


AMERICAN INTERCEPTORS! BUT THEY ARE TOO LATE! THEY CAN'T KNOCK DOWN MORE THAN A FEW OF US AND WE'VE ALREADY REACHED OUR OBJECTIVE!
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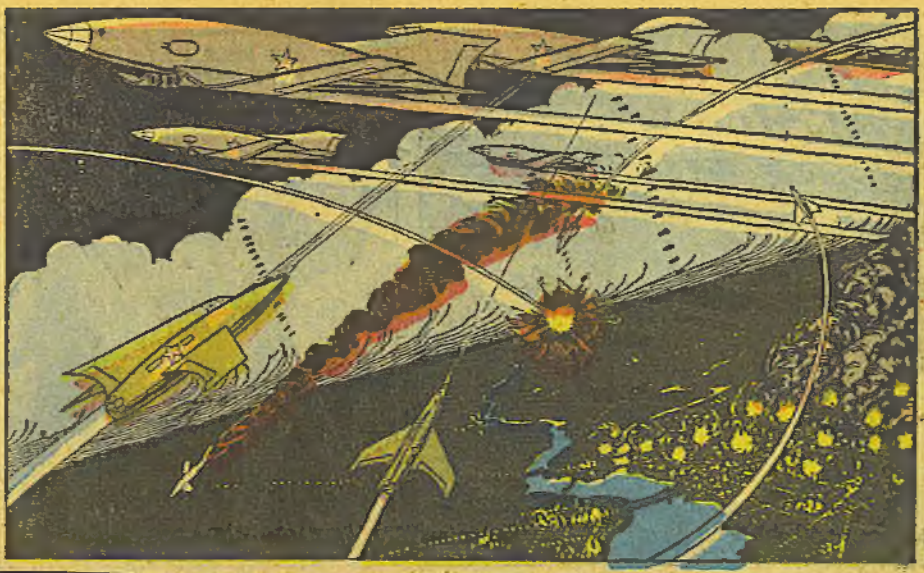
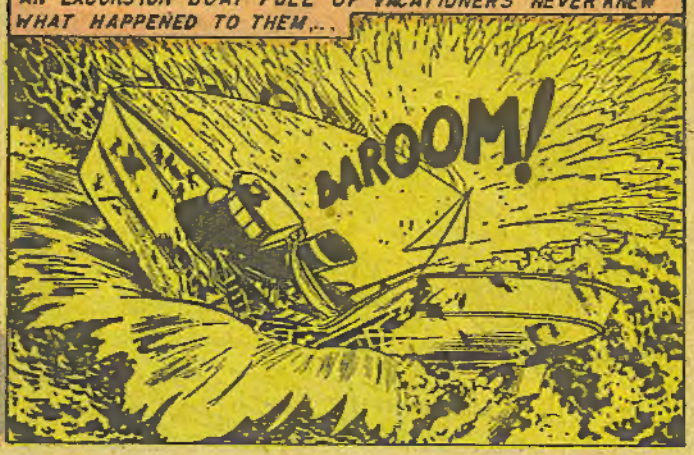
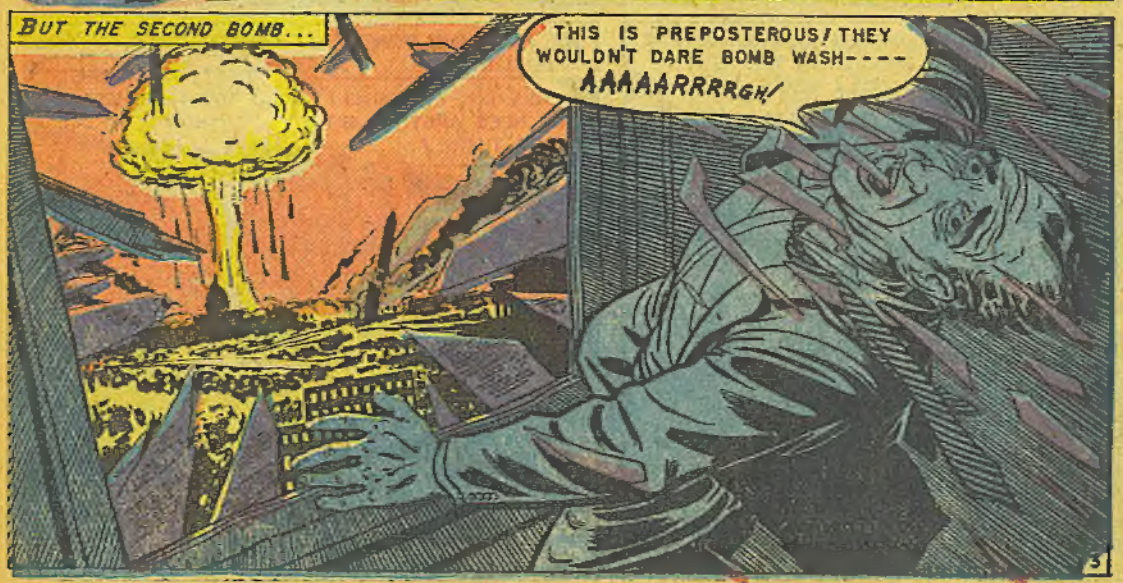
OUTNUMBERED, CAUGHT BY SURPRISE, U.S. ATOMIC-POWERED, SUPERSONIC INTERCEPTOR SQUADRONS ATTACKED THE INVADERS, BATTLED HEROICALLY - BUT IN VAIN! ALREADY RUSSIAN ATOMIC BOMBS WERE RAINING DOWN ON OUR CITIES!



THOUGH I RETURN NOT FROM THIS SUICIDE MISSION, THE NAME OF LT. KRIMSKY WILL GO DOWN IN SOVIET HISTORY AS THE MAN TO DROP THE FIRST ATOMIC BOMB ON OUR HATED ENEMY'S CAPITAL CITY!

FOR PSYCHOLOGICAL SHOCK EFFECT, SOVIET BOMBERS DROPPED THE FIRST TWO PARALYZING A-BOMBS ON THE HEART OF THE NATION, WASHINGTON, D.C. THE FIRST BLAST WAS WIDE OF THE TARGET. IT HIT THE PEACEFUL POTOMAC. AN EXCURSION BOAT FULL OF VACATIONERS NEVER KNEW WHAT HAPPENED TO THEM...



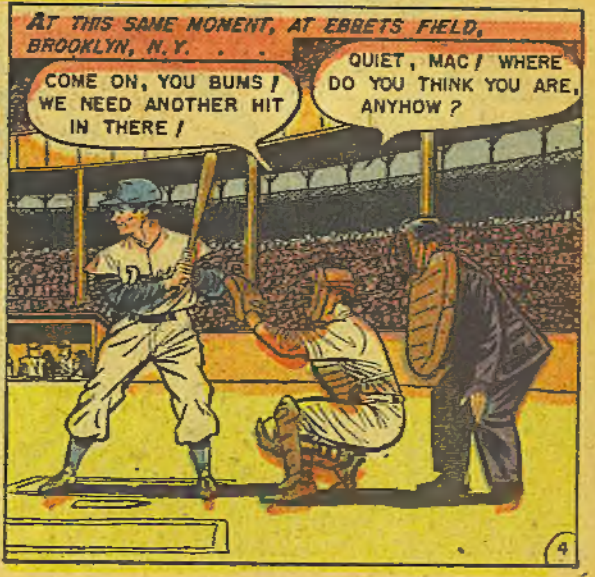



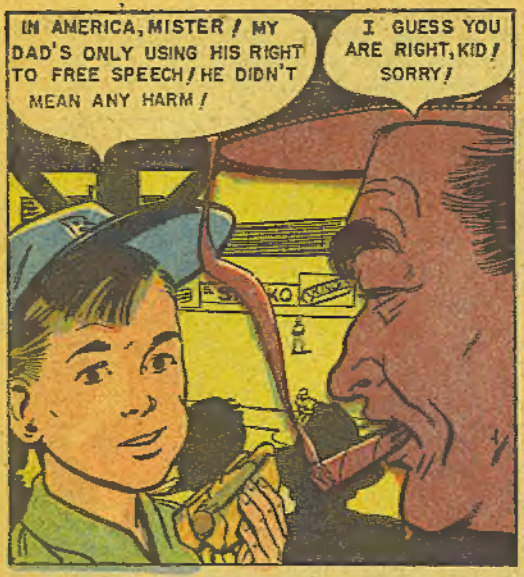
HA-HA / LOOK AT THEIR BEAUTIFUL CITY NOW / AND THAT IS BUT A SMALL TASTE OF THE SOVIET MILITARY MIGHT / THE SAME THING IS HAPPENING IN KEY CITIES ALL OVER THE COUNTRY /

HEAVEN HELP US / WE'LL BE TOTALLY DESTROYED /
IT'S LIKE THE END OF THE WORLD

CALM YOURSELVES / PANIC WON'T HELP / UNDER COVER, QUICKLY / THERE MAY BE MORE BLASTS /
HE'S RIGHT / PANIC AND CONFUSION IS ONE OF THEIR MAIN GOALS / WE'VE GOT TO GET A GRIP ON OURSELVES /

LET US IN / ALL HELL HAS BROKEN LOOSE OUT THERE /
THERE'S ANOTHER OFFICIAL SHELTER IN THE NEXT BLOCK / WE'RE OVERCROWDED, SHORT OF OXYGEN /
AND WE THOUGHT WE WERE PREPARED FOR ATTACK /


AT THIS SAME MOMENT, AT EBBETS FIELD, BROOKLYN, N.Y. . .
COME ON, YOU BUMS / WE NEED ANOTHER HIT IN THERE /
QUIET, MAC / WHERE DO YOU THINK YOU ARE, ANYHOW ?


IN AMERICA, MISTER! MY DAD'S ONLY USING HIS RIGHT TO FREE SPEECH! HE DIDN'T MEAN ANY HARM!
I GUESS YOU ARE RIGHT, KID! SORRY!

ON THE GRANDSTAND ROOF, THE MAN WHO RETRIEVES FOUL BALLS FOR THE DODGERS WITNESSES A STARTLING EVENT...
HEY! SOMETHING'S BURNED THOSE FLAGS AND PENNANTS! TH-THAT BLAST OF HEAT! THAT EYE-SEARING GLARE! WH-WHAT'S HAPPENING OVER THERE IN MANHATTAN? A-A BLAST! AN ATOMIC BLAST!

WE'RE BEING ATTACKED! BOMBED!
B-BUT, DAD, THEY SAID IT COULDN'T EVER HAPPEN! THAT BURNING SMELL, THE TERRIBLE NOISE, DAD! I-I'M SCARED!

A MOMENT LATER A DIRECT HIT WIPED OUT ONE OF AMERICA'S SPORTS LAND MARKS!
DAD! DAD! THE-THE DIRTY COWARDS! I-I'LL FIX 'EM FOR THIS!

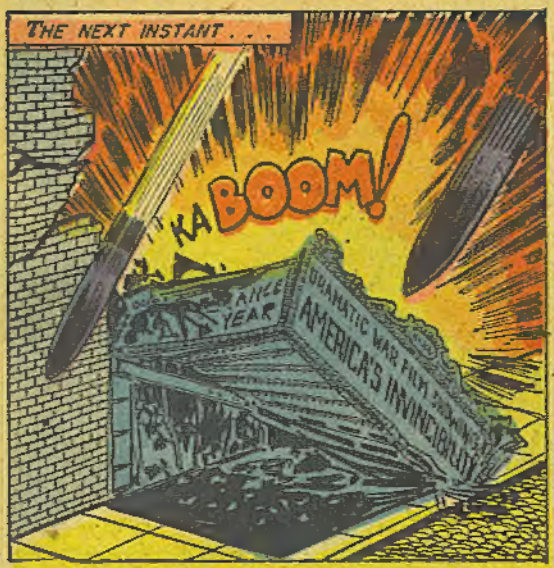
WHILE, ACROSS THE COUNTRY, IN SAN FRANCISCO...
OH, DON, DON! I CAN'T STAND THE THOUGHT OF YOU HAVING TO GO INTO THE ARMY TOMORROW! THIS CRAZY DRAFT BUSINESS IS RIDICULOUS! YOU...
WAIT A MINUTE, BABY! WHAT'S GOING ON UP THERE? I DON'T LIKE THE LOOKS OF THIS!

WHEN WHOLE CITIES ARE FALLING, WHAT ARE THE LIVES OF TWO LITTLE PEOPLE? UNLESS THEY ARE YOUR BROTHER OR SISTER?

NOT ONLY PEOPLE WERE VICTIMS OF THIS SAVAGE ALL-OUT ATTEMPT TO CRIPPLE AND ENSLAVE AMERICA IN ONE SMASH PUNCH! IN ADDITION TO SMALLER MILITARY AND PRODUCTION OBJECTIVES, THE VITAL NORFOLK-NEWPORT NEWS NAVAL BASE AND ENVIRONS, UNDER CONCENTRATED ATTACK BY SOVIET Z-M 49 SUPER HEAVY BOMBERS, BECAME ANOTHER PEARL HARBOR! AND WE SAID IT WOULD NEVER HAPPEN AGAIN! . . .

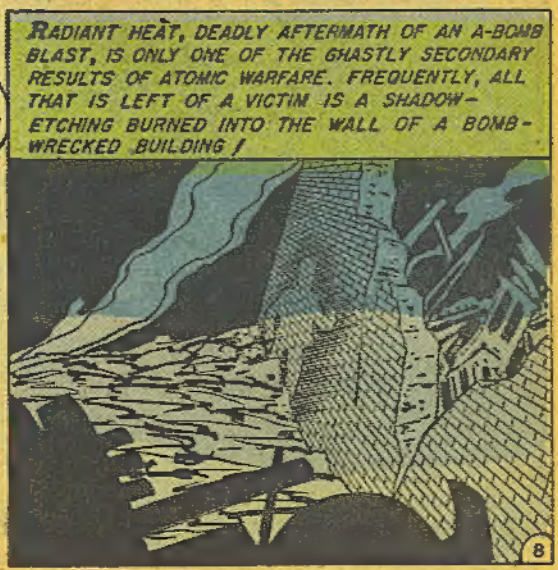
IN A MOVIE THEATRE IN DETROIT, AUTOMOTIVE-CAPITAL OF THE WORLD AND PRIME TARGET FOR ENEMY ATTACK...
WE SHOWED 'EM, EH, KID? NOBODY'LL EVER DARE ATTACK AMERICA AGAIN!
THEY'D BE NUTS! WE'VE NEVER BEEN LICKED, YET!

THEY GOT SOMETHING THERE WITH THAT PICTURE! THIS COUNTRY'S TOO BIG, TOO TOUGH TO HAVE ANYTHING TO WORRY ABOUT!
THEY MAKE WAR SEEM SO ADVENTUROUS! ESPECIALLY SINCE WE ALWAYS WIN!


THE NEXT INSTANT...
KA BOOM!
AMERICA'S INVINCIBILITY

MY WIFE, VERA, DEAD! THE CITY IN RUINS! GOT— GOT TO KEEP GOING! GOT TO GET HOME TO THE KIDS!

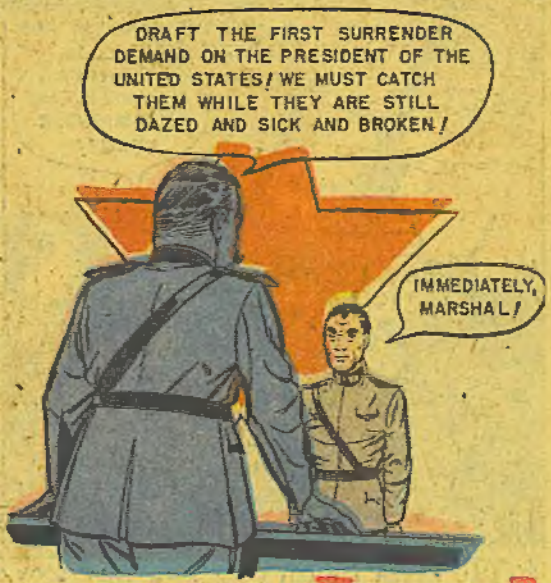
THAT BLAST OF HEAT! I'M ON FIRE! BEING BURNED ALIVE! EEEEAAAHH!

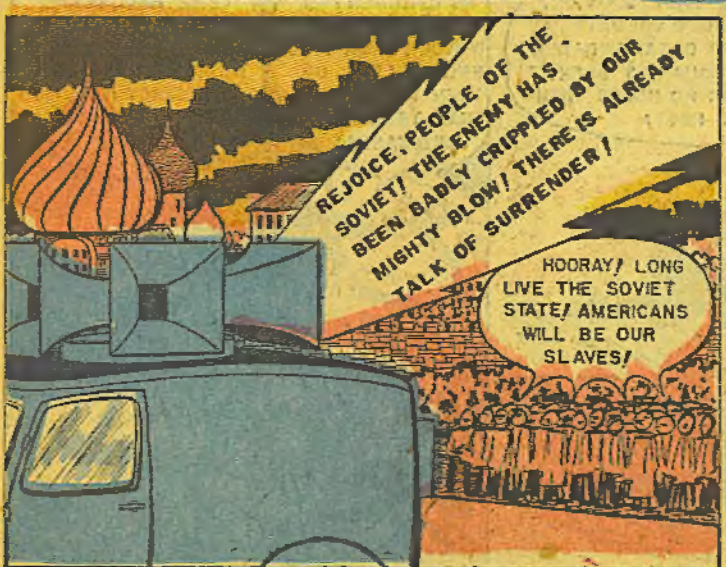

RADIANT HEAT, DEADLY AFTERMATH OF AN A-BOMB BLAST, IS ONLY ONE OF THE GHASTLY SECONDARY RESULTS OF ATOMIC WARFARE. FREQUENTLY, ALL THAT IS LEFT OF A VICTIM IS A SHADOW-ETCHING BURNED INTO THE WALL OF A BOMB-WRECKED BUILDING!

IN A PROTECTED BASEMENT APARTMENT, COMPARATIVELY SAFE IN THEIR WHITE RADIANT-HEAT-REPELLENT COVERALLS, SOVIET AGENTS ARE BUSY...
SUCCESS IS OURS, COMRADE! THE WHOLE OF MANHATTAN IS A SHAMBLES! THE A-BOMB HIT THE MIDTOWN AREA, FLATTENED IT COMPLETELY!

HELLO! HELLO! I'VE BEEN CUT OFF FROM T-4 IN THE BRONX! DAMAGE MUST BE SO SEVERE EVEN OUR SECRET UNDERGROUND WIRES HAVE BEEN AFFECTED!
I'M STILL GETTING MESSAGES THROUGH TO OUR SUBMARINES! MOSCOW WILL HEAR ABOUT OUR PART IN THIS GREAT WAR OF THE PEOPLE!

THE NEXT DAY AT THE HIGH COMMAND HEADQUARTERS IN THE KREMLIN...
HO-HO! WHAT A SUPERB JOB OUR ATTACKING FORCES DID, JUDGING BY THESE FIRST PHOTOS FLOWN BACK!
DA! THE ONCE GREAT AMERICAN REPUBLIC IS RUINED! THEIR BACK IS BROKEN-AND THEIR WILL!


DRAFT THE FIRST SURRENDER DEMAND ON THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES! WE MUST CATCH THEM WHILE THEY ARE STILL DAZED AND SICK AND BROKEN!
IMMEDIATELY, MARSHAL!

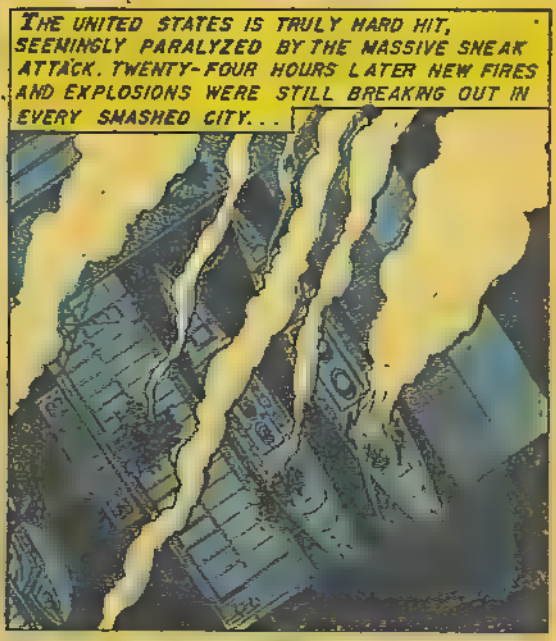

REJOICE, PEOPLE OF THE SOVIET! THE ENEMY HAS BEEN BADLY CRIPPLED BY OUR MIGHTY BLOW! THERE IS ALREADY TALK OF SURRENDER!
HOORAY! LONG LIVE THE SOVIET STATE! AMERICANS WILL BE OUR SLAVES!

IT IS TRUE, NICOLAV! SEE! THEIR GREAT CITY IS DESTROYED!
WE ARE TOLD THAT THIS IS GREAT! BUT I AM NOT SO SURE, NOT SO SURE!

WHAT WE CAN DO, THEY CAN DO, ALSO! I FEAR THAT SOON OUR OWN GREAT CITIES MIGHT LIKEWISE BURN AND TUMBLE IN RUINS! I ..
HUSH, NICOLAV! SUCH TALK IS TREASON!

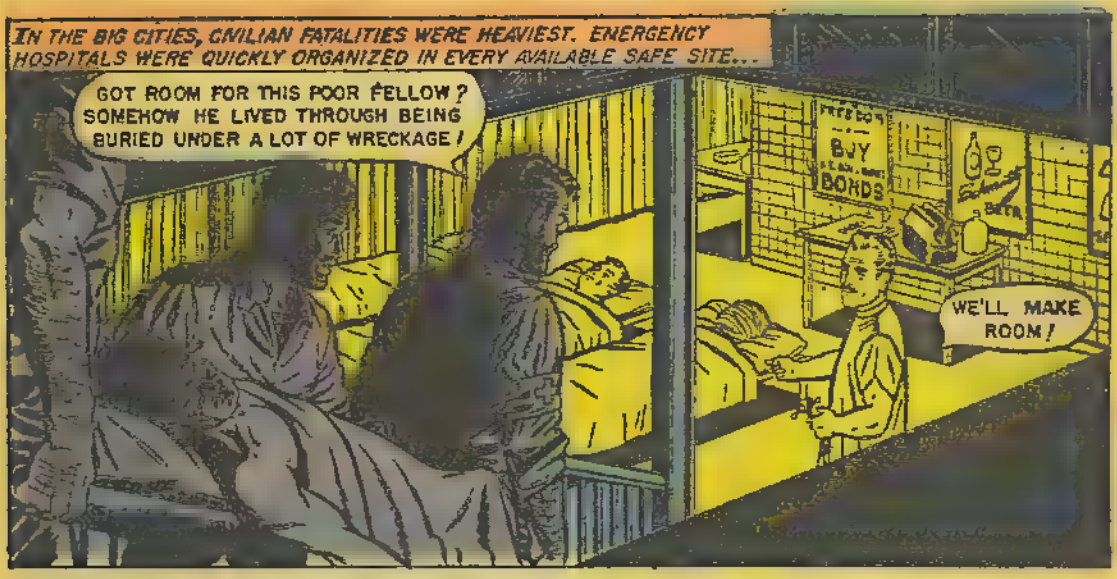
COME WITH US!
NO! NO! NO! THE SECRET POLICE HEARD YOU, NICOLAV! WE ARE DOOMED!

ALL THIS TALK OF AMERICAN RETALIATION! WHAT NONSENSE! THEIR SPIRIT IS BROKEN ALREADY THEY DON'T DARE TRY AND STRIKE BACK!
PRAVDA ALREADY SPEAKS OF SURRENDER TERMS!

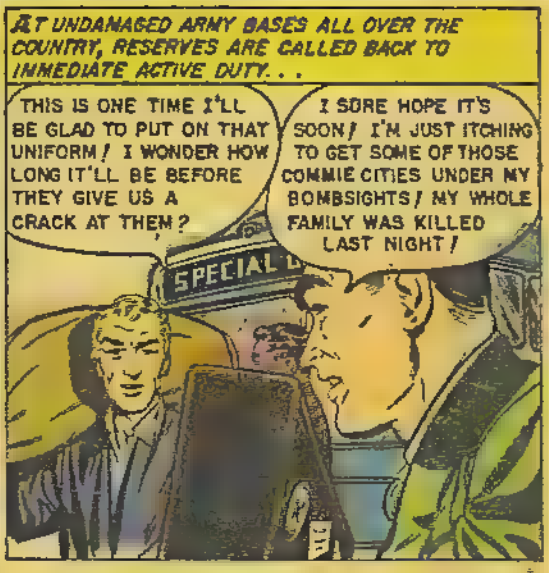

THE UNITED STATES IS TRULY HARD HIT, SEEMINGLY PARALYZED BY THE MASSIVE SNEAK ATTACK. TWENTY-FOUR HOURS LATER NEW FIRES AND EXPLOSIONS WERE STILL BREAKING OUT IN EVERY SMASHED CITY...

WE'LL NEVER DIG OUT OF THIS! THIS WHOLE SECTION OF THE CITY IS ONE GREAT RUIN!
HOPE THEY SOON GET THOSE NEW VOLUNTEER FORCES ORGANIZED! OUR SMALL GROUP HAS BEEN AT THIS FOR 20 HOURS WITHOUT REST!

MY CHILDREN! MY CHILDREN! THEY W-WON'T EVEN FIND ENOUGH LEFT OF THEM TO BURY, IN THAT TERRIBLE WRECKAGE!
COME AWAY, ELSIE! THERE IS NOTHING WE CAN DO HERE AND I MUST REPORT FOR EMERGENCY INDUCTION INTO THE HOME ARMY!


IN THE BIG CITIES, CIVILIAN FATALITIES WERE HEAVIEST. EMERGENCY HOSPITALS WERE QUICKLY ORGANIZED IN EVERY AVAILABLE SAFE SITE...
GOT ROOM FOR THIS POOR FELLOW? SOMEHOW HE LIVED THROUGH BEING BURIED UNDER A LOT OF WRECKAGE!
BUY BONDS
WE'LL MAKE ROOM!

THEY SAY THE SUPPLY OF PLASMA IS RUNNING DESPERATELY LOW!
THERE'LL BE DONORS A-PLENTY NOW! I JUST HOPE TOO MANY PEOPLE DIDN'T PUT IT OFF TOO LONG! IF ONLY THEY COULD HAVE FORESEEN THIS, THERE'D HAVE BEEN A STAMPEDE TO THE BLOOD BANKS!


AT UNDAMAGED ARMY BASES ALL OVER THE COUNTRY, RESERVES ARE CALLED BACK TO IMMEDIATE ACTIVE DUTY...
THIS IS ONE TIME I'LL BE GLAD TO PUT ON THAT UNIFORM! I WONDER HOW LONG IT'LL BE BEFORE THEY GIVE US A CRACK AT THEM?
I SURE HOPE IT'S SOON! I'M JUST ITCHING TO GET SOME OF THOSE COMMIE CITIES UNDER MY BOMBSIGHTS! MY WHOLE FAMILY WAS KILLED LAST NIGHT!
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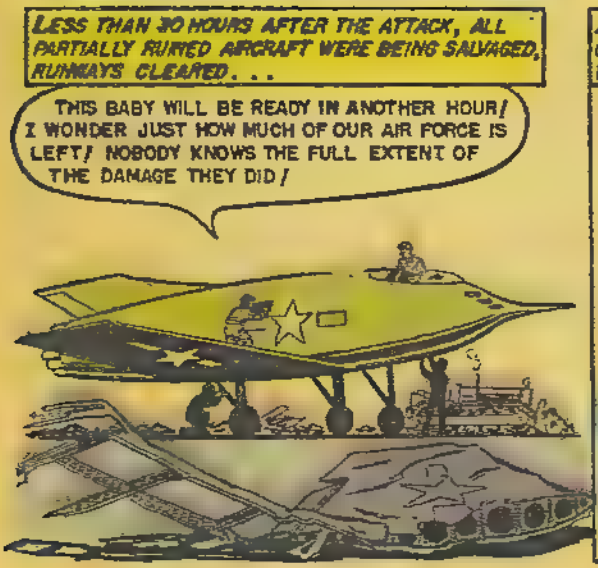
LESS THAN 30 HOURS AFTER THE ATTACK, ALL PARTIALLY RUINED AIRCRAFT WERE BEING SALVAGED, RUNWAYS CLEARED...
THIS BABY WILL BE READY IN ANOTHER HOUR! I WONDER JUST HOW MUCH OF OUR AIR FORCE IS LEFT! NOBODY KNOWS THE FULL EXTENT OF THE DAMAGE THEY DID!

AND NOW, EVEN THOUGH IT WAS VERY LATE, OUR GUARD WAS FULLY UP! EVERY INCH OF COASTLINE WAS CONSTANTLY PATROLLED BY ATTACK UNITS...
LET 'EM COME AGAIN, LIEUTENANT! THEY'LL FIND IT A DIFFERENT STORY NEXT TIME!

IN WASHINGTON . . .
MOST OF THIS WAR DEPARTMENT MATERIAL WAS UNDAMAGED / THAT'S THE LAST OF IT LET'S GET IT OVER TO THE NEW HIDEAWAY HEAD-QUARTERS, FAST / THEY PROBABLY NEED IT /
SOMEWHERE, THE EXACT LOCATION A HEAVILY GUARDED SECRET, THE PRESIDENT CONFERS WITH MILITARY LEADERS . . .
WELL, OUR NEW DEFENSE SETUP SEEMS IN GOOD ORDER, MR. PRESIDENT / BUT WHAT ABOUT PLANS FOR RETALIATION /
THEY ARE ALMOST COMPLETE /
TOMORROW, WE STRIKE BACK / AND THAT, GENTLEMEN, WILL BE THE ANSWER TO THEIR RIDICULOUS DEMANDS OF SURRENDER /
LATER .
. AND SO, BRAVE PEOPLE OF AMERICA, THOUGH I KNOW YOUR FIGHTING BLOOD IS BOILING AFTER WITNESSING THIS MASS ATROCITY, I ASK YOU TO BE PATIENT. OUR TIME IS COMING. AND SOON! DON'T GIVE IN TO GLOOM AND DEFEATISM. WE ARE DOWN — BUT NOT OUT /
AND, EVEN IN THE MOST DISASTROUSLY AFFECTED SECTIONS, PEOPLE WHO REFUSED TO GIVE UP THEIR BOMBED-OUT HOMES, LISTENED AND TOOK HEART, THEIR GRASS-ROOTS COURAGE ON THE UPSURGE AGAIN . . .
WELL, ONE THING'S FOR SURE / THE RUSSKYS'LL NEVER GET A SURRENDER OUT OF THAT TOUGH OLD GUY / I WOULDN'T WANT TO BE IN THEIR SHOES, NOW /
. . . THOUGH THEY STARTED IT — WE'LL FINISH IT /
GOOD NIGHT, BRAVE AMERICANS /
DON'T WAIT UNTIL IT'S TOO LATE / EVERYBODY PREPARE NOW!

# OPERATION COMEBACK

MUST'VE BEEN A BOMB PLANTED IN ONE OF THOSE LOCKERS!
ONLY A SMALL ONE, FORTUNATELY! THEY PROBABLY FIGURED A BLAST HERE WOULD BE A BIG BLOW TO OUR MORALE, NO MATTER HOW SMALL THE DAMAGE!
I'M MORE MAD THAN HURT, DEARIE! TAKE CARE OF SOME OF THE OTHERS! THE COWARDLY REDS ARE STRIKING AT US FROM ALL ANGLES AND WE'RE DOING NOTHING IN RETURN! WHY? WHY?
IN ONE OF THOSE UNPREDICTABLE MIRACLES THAT SOMETIMES OCCUR IN THE MIDST OF WIDESPREAD CATASTROPHE, THE A-BOMB ATTACK ON NEW YORK CITY LEFT THE FAMOUS GRAND CENTRAL STATION COMPARATIVELY UNSCATHED. THE NEXT DAY IT STILL STOOD IN THE CENTER OF THE MIDTOWN WRECKAGE, A SYMBOL OF THE GRANDEUR AND MAJESTY OF AMERICA, HARD-HIT, BLOODY — BUT STILL UNBOWED SOVIET SABOTEURS, THOUGH, QUICKLY TOOK CARE OF THIS . . .

WHILE AT THE SECRET MILITARY TACTICAL COMMAND HEADQUARTERS, SOMEWHERE IN VIRGINIA . . .
AS YOU KNOW, GENTLEMEN, WE'RE NOW IN DIRECT CONTACT, BY OUR NEWLY DEVELOPED SEALED HIGH-FREQUENCY BEAM, WITH A NUMBER OF OUR WORLD-WIDE ATTACK FORCES!
OH, YES, THE ELECTRONIC DEVICE THAT DEFIES ENEMY INTERCEPTION!
AND NOW WE SHALL ACTUALLY SEE SOME OF OUR NEWLY ISSUED PLANS IN ACTION, AT VARIOUS STRIKING POINTS, ON THE FIRST PANORAMAVISION SET IN WARTIME USE! WATCH!
OUR NEW DYNATOMIC AIRCRAFT CARRIER! BUT, GENERAL HENDRIX, I THOUGHT OUR TEST MODEL WASN'T READY FOR ACTUAL ACTION!
THAT'S WHAT THE REDS WERE LED TO THINK, TOO! IT WAS LAUNCHED AT PEARL HARBOR YESTERDAY WITH A VOLUNTEER TEST CREW!
MTCHQ TO DAC 1! YOU ARE IN STRIKING POSITION! PROCEED WITH MISSION MAGIC, IMMEDIATELY!
VLADIMAR OBLA
OBLAST
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A HUGE CLOSEUP ON THE PANARAMAVISION SCREEN SHOWS THE DYNATOMIC CARRIER READY TO LAUNCH HER HORDE OF NAVY BOMBERS, DXG-6's, BETTER KNOWN AS "STING RAYS"!
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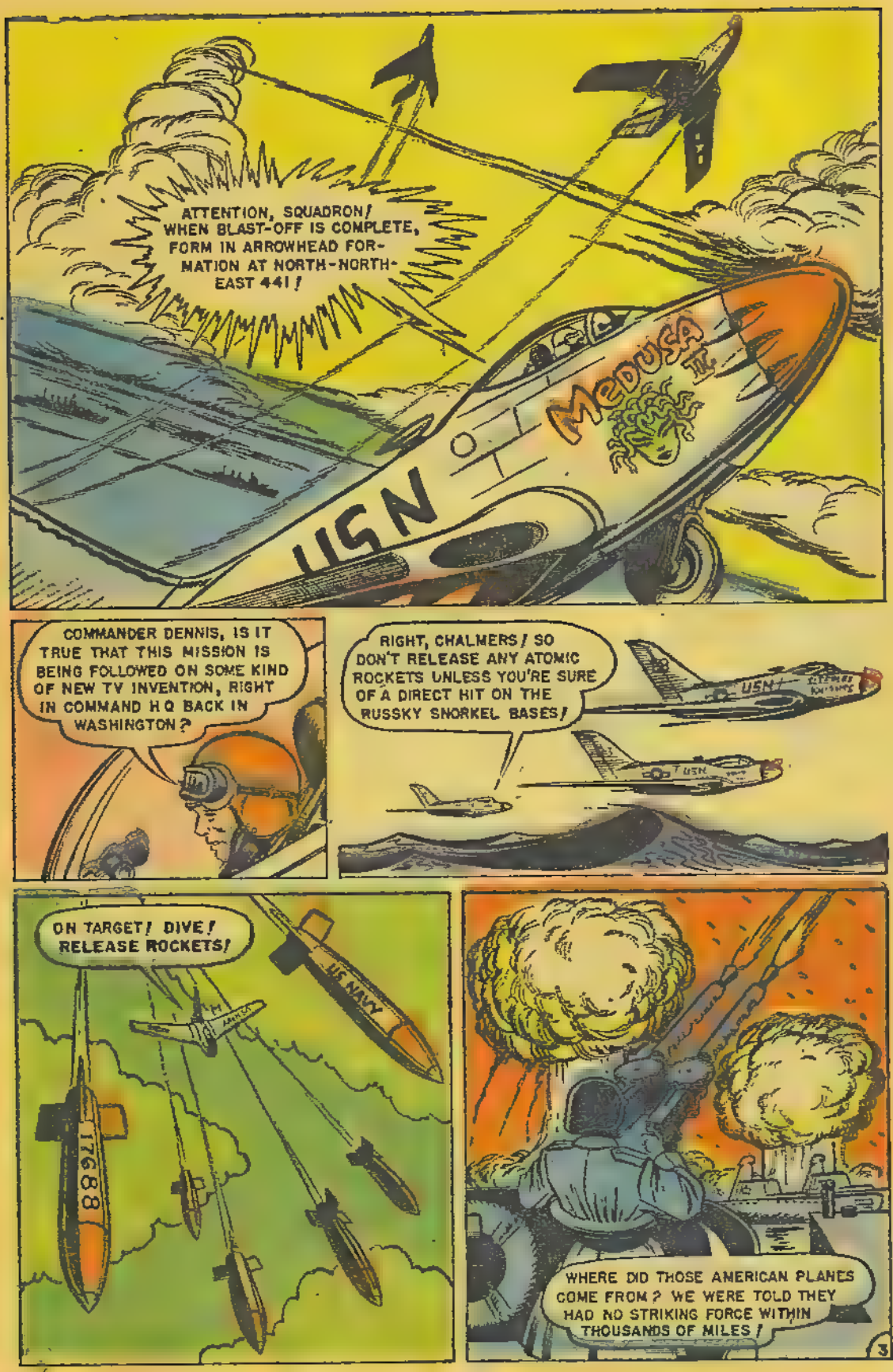
ATTENTION, SQUADRON! WHEN BLAST-OFF IS COMPLETE, FORM IN ARROWHEAD FORMATION AT NORTH-NORTH-EAST 441!
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COMMANDER DENNIS, IS IT TRUE THAT THIS MISSION IS BEING FOLLOWED ON SOME KIND OF NEW TV INVENTION, RIGHT IN COMMAND H Q BACK IN WASHINGTON?
RIGHT, CHALMERS! SO DON'T RELEASE ANY ATOMIC ROCKETS UNLESS YOU'RE SURE OF A DIRECT HIT ON THE RUSSKY SNORKEL BASES!
ON TARGET! DIVE! RELEASE ROCKETS!
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WHERE DID THOSE AMERICAN PLANES COME FROM? WE WERE TOLD THEY HAD NO STRIKING FORCE WITHIN THOUSANDS OF MILES!
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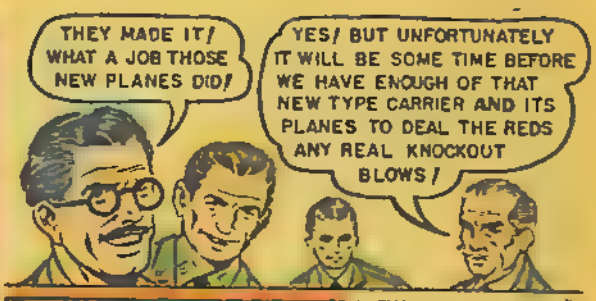
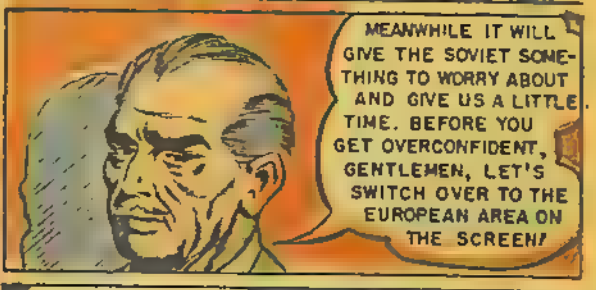
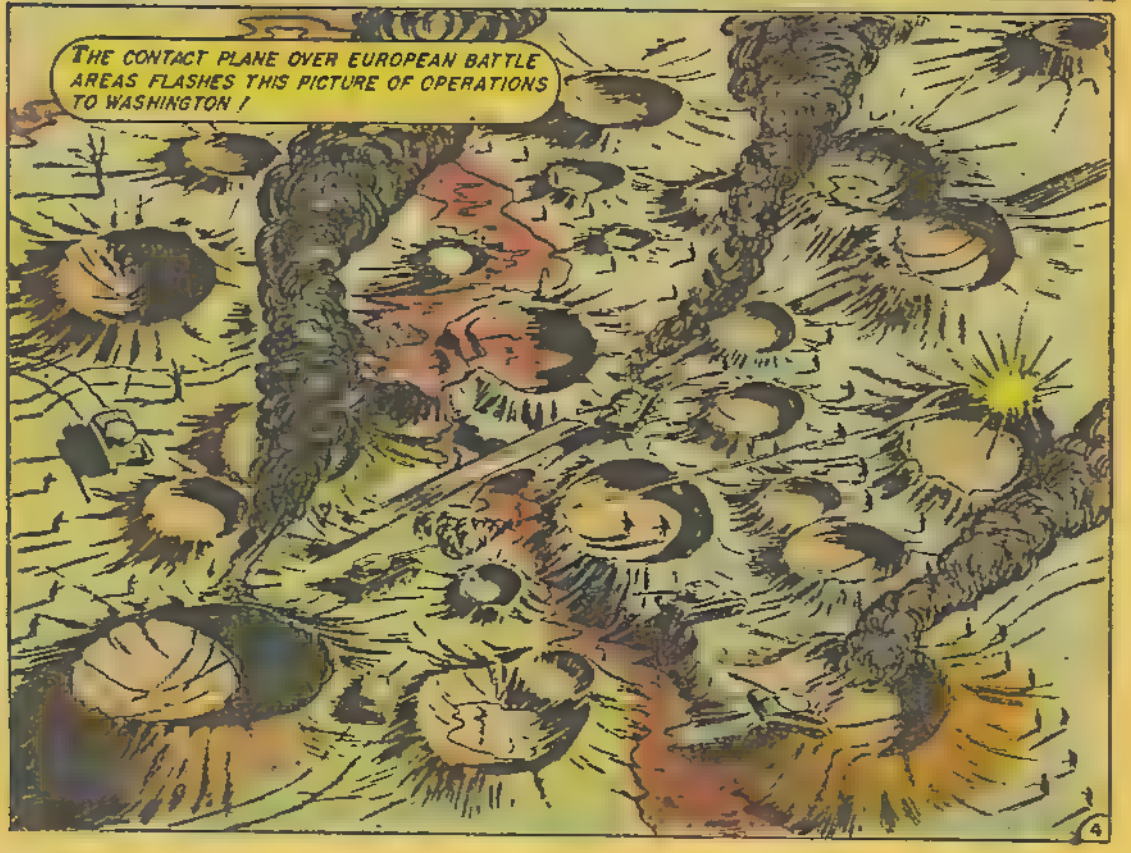
WE DID IT, BOYS! THOSE ATOMIC ROCKETS WIPED OUT THE WHOLE BASE IN ONE SWIFT STRIKE! AND WITH ONLY ONE OF OUR STING RAYS LOST!


THEY MADE IT! WHAT A JOB THOSE NEW PLANES DID!
YES! BUT UNFORTUNATELY IT WILL BE SOME TIME BEFORE WE HAVE ENOUGH OF THAT NEW TYPE CARRIER AND ITS PLANES TO DEAL THE REDS ANY REAL KNOCKOUT BLOWS!


MEANWHILE IT WILL GIVE THE SOVIET SOMETHING TO WORRY ABOUT AND GIVE US A LITTLE TIME. BEFORE YOU GET OVERCONFIDENT, GENTLEMEN, LET'S SWITCH OVER TO THE EUROPEAN AREA ON THE SCREEN!

HELLO! PANORAMA-PLANE V-28! COME IN! LONG SHOT AND CLOSEUPS OF ACTION AREAS! FLASH IN!


THE CONTACT PLANE OVER EUROPEAN BATTLE AREAS FLASHES THIS PICTURE OF OPERATIONS TO WASHINGTON!

THIS RUSSKY TANK DIVISION MUST HAVE SOME NEW KIND OF ARMOR! OUR ROCKETS AREN'T KNOCKING THEM OUT! LIEUTENANT COSGROVE! ORDERLY RETREAT!
AH, WHAT'S THE USE? THEY KEEP DRIVING US BACK! HOW LONG CAN WE KEEP LOSING GROUND LIKE THIS?
YEAH, BUT LOOK AT THE WAY THOSE NEW ATOMIC BAZOOKAS ARE TAKING TOLL OF THE RJSSKIES!
BUT WE'VE ONLY GOT THREE OF THEM IN THE WHOLE COMPANY! WITH EVERY MAN EQUIPPED, WE MIGHT BE ABLE TO STOP THIS RED LAND DRIVE ACROSS EUROPE!
YOU'RE RIGHT, THERE! THESE OLDTIME WEAPONS DON'T SEEM TO DO MUCH GOOD!
FALL BACK FAST, MEN! EVERY SECOND COUNTS!
HERE WE GO AGAIN! BUT THEY'LL BE ON TOP OF US BEFORE WE CAN SET UP NEW DEFENSES!
YOU'RE WRONG THERE! WE HAVE ONE LITTLE SURPRISE FOR THEM, JUST SENT UP FROM NATO SUPPLY HQ!
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THE ENGINEERS SET UP ONE OF THE NEW ATOMIC ANTI-PERSONNEL MINES! ONE CAN WIPE OUT A WHOLE COMPANY! BUT THAT'S THE ONLY ONE WE HAVE IN THIS SECTOR!
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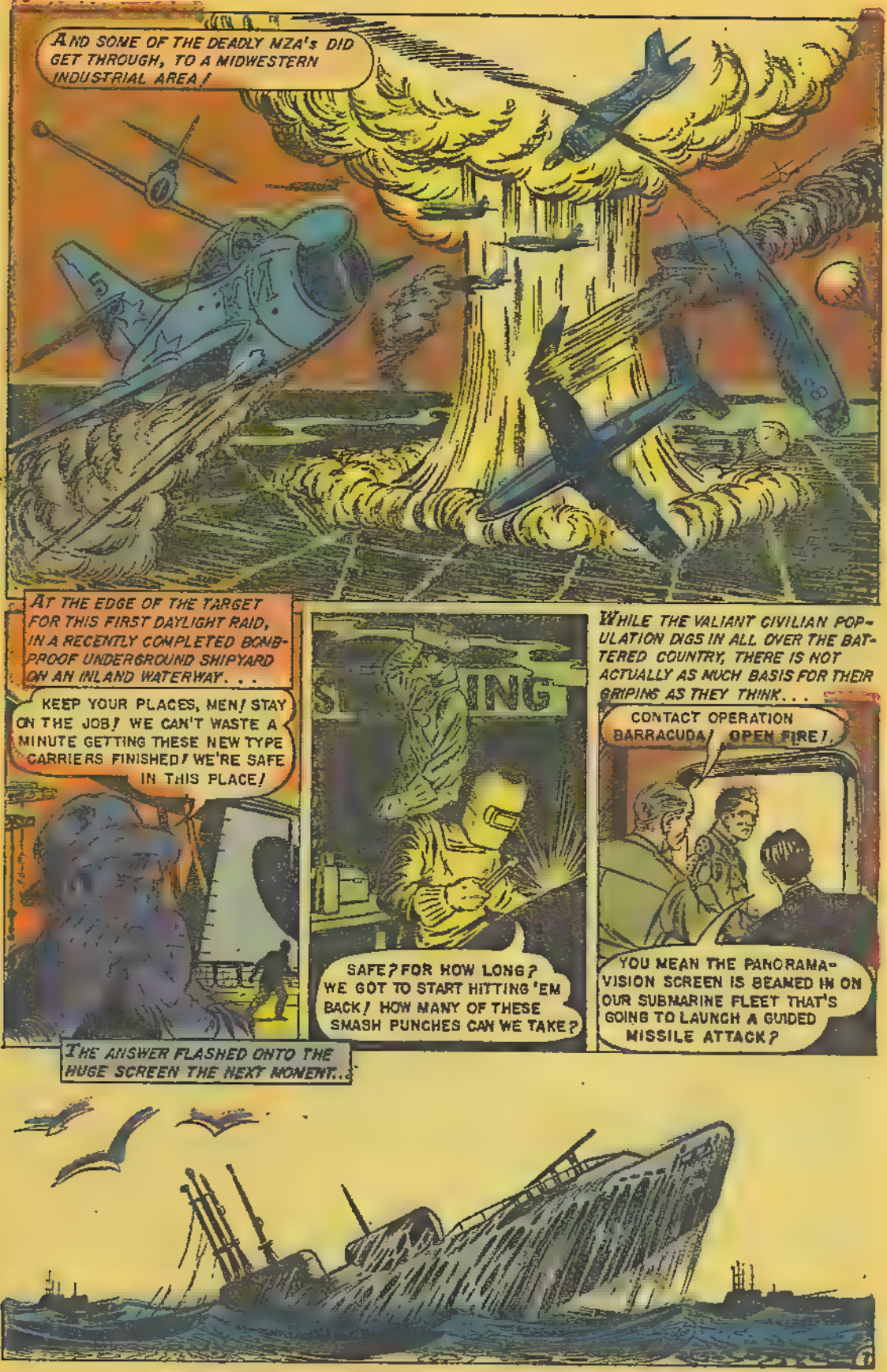
THAT'S RIGHT, SOLDIER! THE LAST BILLION-DOLLAR INCREASE THAT CONGRESS REFUSED US MIGHT HAVE EQUIPPED OUR NATO FORCES WITH ENOUGH OF THOSE POWERFUL NEW WEAPONS TO STOP THE REDS COLD!
OR GIVEN US A DOZEN OF THOSE DYNATOMIC CARRIERS TO STRIKE AT THEM FROM EVERY SEA! BUT WHAT'S THE OVER-ALL PICTURE, GENERAL HENDRIX?
YOU JUST SAW IT! THE FEW NEW WEAPONS WE'VE GOT IN ACTUAL USE ARE KEEPING US FROM IMMEDIATE DEFEAT! WHETHER OR NOT WE CAN HOLD OUT UNTIL WE HAVE ENOUGH OF THEM TO TURN THE TIDE, IS ANOTHER STORY!
WHILE AT A CIVILIAN AIR DEFENSE CORPS SPOTTER'S SHACK, OFF THE WASHINGTON COAST...
FLIGHT OF WHAT LOOKS LIKE MEDIUM ZARKOV ATTACK BOMBERS COMING IN LOW FROM DIRECT NORTH! PHONE IN!
THE FIRST DAYLIGHT RAID!
STATION Z, WASHINGTON COAST REPORTS MZA FLIGHT LOW FROM DN! ALERT COASTAL BATTERIES AND INTERCEPTOR UNITS!
AT LEAST WE WERE READY FOR 'EM, TODAY!
YEAH, BUT SOME OF 'EM'LL GET THROUGH! LOOK AT THAT! WE ONLY GOT ONE!
YEAH! THEY'RE GOING TO KEEP STRIKING AND STRIKING! AND WHAT ARE WE DOING! NOTHING! WHERE ARE ALL THOSE NEW WEAPONS I'VE HEARD ABOUT?


AND SOME OF THE DEADLY MZA's DID GET THROUGH, TO A MIDWESTERN INDUSTRIAL AREA!
AT THE EDGE OF THE TARGET FOR THIS FIRST DAYLIGHT RAID, IN A RECENTLY COMPLETED BOMB-PROOF UNDERGROUND SHIPYARD ON AN INLAND WATERWAY. . .
KEEP YOUR PLACES, MEN! STAY ON THE JOB! WE CAN'T WASTE A MINUTE GETTING THESE NEW TYPE CARRIERS FINISHED! WE'RE SAFE IN THIS PLACE!
THE ANSWER FLASHED ONTO THE HUGE SCREEN THE NEXT MOMENT...
SAFE? FOR HOW LONG? WE GOT TO START HITTING 'EM BACK! HOW MANY OF THESE SMASH PUNCHES CAN WE TAKE?
WHILE THE VALIANT CIVILIAN POPULATION DIGS IN ALL OVER THE BATTERED COUNTRY, THERE IS NOT ACTUALLY AS MUCH BASIS FOR THEIR GRIPING AS THEY THINK. . .
CONTACT OPERATION BARRACUDA! OPEN FIRE!
YOU MEAN THE PANORAMA-VISION SCREEN IS BEAMED IN ON OUR SUBMARINE FLEET THAT'S GOING TO LAUNCH A GUIDED MISSILE ATTACK?

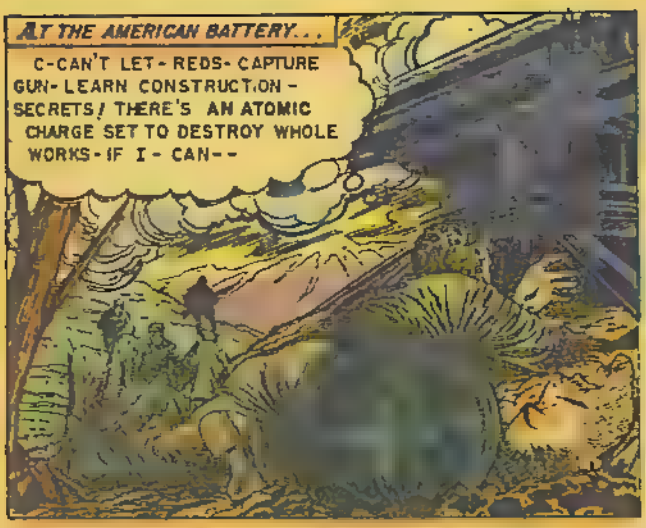
EASY WITH THAT MISSILE, MEN! A SUDDEN JAR AT THIS POINT MIGHT THROW OFF THOSE SENSITIVE DIRECTION CONTACTS!
DON'T WORRY, SIR! WE WANT THIS GM-5 TO HIT THE TARGET, TOO!
SET SONIC GUIDE CLOCK AT FIVE-POINT-FIVE! READY! BEAM IN!.... SET!.... FIRE!!
, IF ALL CALCULATIONS HAVE BEEN MADE RIGHT, GENTLEMEN, THAT SHOWER OF GUIDED MISSILES SHOULD WIPE OUT THE RED BOMBER BASE AT KRUMANSK! LET'S SHIFT THE VIEWVOX BUTTON AND SEE!
AT THE SAME MOMENT, AT THE TARGET CENTER...
LOOK, COMRADE! WHAT KIND OF AIRCRAFT IS THAT?
AWK! GUIDED MISSILES, YOU FOOL! HIT THE GROUND!
ON THE PANORAMAVISION SCREEN IN OUR TACTICAL COMMAND HEADQUARTERS, THE GRATIFYING RESULTS OF THIS FIRST GUIDED MISSILE ATTACK FROM THE SEA, IS WITNESSED.

HAVE WORD OF THIS MISSION AND ITS SUCCESS GIVEN TO PRESS HEADQUARTERS IMMEDIATELY! TELL THEM WE'LL HAVE MORE SURPRISES FOR THEM SHORTLY!
LATER THAT DAY, OUR COUNTERATTACKING FORCES CONTINUED TO MOVE, SLOWLY, BUT SURELY. MILITARY INSTALLATIONS AND INDUSTRIAL AREAS IN RUSSIA AND SATELLITE COUNTRIES SUFFERED REGULAR BOMBER RAIDS . . .
OUR BOMBERS DID A SMASH JOB ON THAT KRONKOW INDUSTRIAL AREA!
YEAH, BUT FROM WHAT I HEAR, WE'RE ONLY HITTING MILITARY TARGETS! WHY DON'T WE WHACK AT THE CIVILIAN POPULATIONS---LIKE THEY DID TO US! WHY SHOULD WE SHOW THEM ANY MERCY?
I KNOW HOW YOU FEEL, ED! BUT OUR COMMANDS KNOW WHAT THEY'RE DOING! THIS WAY THE RUSSIAN PEOPLE CAN'T GET FIGHTING MAD AT US!
I STILL THINK WE OUGHT TO LAY A GREAT BIG ATOMIC EGG PLUNK ON MOSCOW!
WHILE AT HIGH COMMAND HEADQUARTERS IN THE KREMLIN . . .
WHAT? KRUMANSK? BY GUIDED MISSILE ATTACK? AND NOW KRONKOW, PIETROCZ AND VLONSOFF BY REGULAR AIR ATTACK? I-I DON'T UNDERSTAND THIS!
WHAT IS WRONG? WE ARE SUPPOSED TO HAVE AMERICA ON HER KNEES! THE STUPID DOLTS! WHY DO THEY TRY TO FIGHT BACK? WHY?

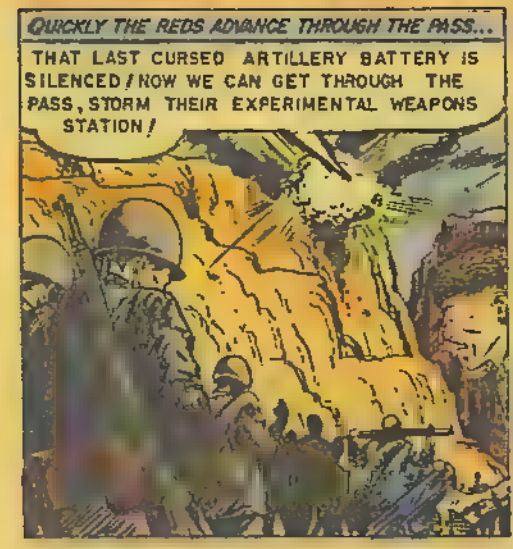
THEY ARE JUST MAKING A TOKEN RESISTANCE, GENERAL MITSKY, A LAST SHOW FOR THEIR PEOPLE BEFORE SURRENDER! OTHERWISE, WHY DO THEY ATTACK ONLY MILITARY TARGETS?
THAT MAKES SENSE! THEY ARE AFRAID OF ANGERING US! OR ELSE THEY WOULD HAVE TRIED TO BOMB MOSCOW LONG AGO!
IN AMERICA THE SAME FEELINGS PREVAIL AS THE DIGGING OUT FROM ENEMY BOMBER ATTACKS ON CIVILIAN CENTERS CONTINUES...
WHAT I WANT TO READ IS THAT THEY'VE DROPPED AN A-BOMB DOWN THE KREMLIN CHIMNEY! MILITARY TARGETS ONLY! ARE WE AFRAID OF HURTIN' THEIR FEELIN'S?
HEY! YOU READ THIS GUIDED MISSILE STORY? MAYBE WE'VE GOT A CHANCE AFTER ALL!
U.S MISSILES FLATTEN RED SMOKESTACKS
THE RUMBLES OF DISCONTENT REACH THE U.S. HIGH COMMAND...
I KNOW HOW THE PEOPLE FEEL, GENTLEMEN! OUR PLANS FOR A MOSCOW ATTACK ARE MADE. BUT YOU KNOW THE DELAY FACTORS! IF OUR PLANS MERELY CALLED FOR AIR ATTACK... LET ME CHECK WITH NATO AGAIN!
YES, MR. PRESIDENT, WE'RE IN TOUCH WITH THE NEWCASTLE PROJECT AT VERGARDT VALLEY! THEY'RE STILL HOLDING OUT AGAINST INCREASING RED FORCES. WHETHER THEY'LL HOLD OUT LONG ENOUGH, WE STILL DON'T KNOW!
THE NEWCASTLE PROJECT, GENTLEMEN, IS A LAND-LAUNCHED ATOMIC GUIDED MISSILE PROJECT WHICH IS NEAR COMPLETION AT AN EXPERIMENTAL STATION IN GERMANY! LET'S SEE IF WE CAN SEE WHAT'S HAPPENING THERE!
A DIVISION OF NATO SUPER-INFANTRY HAS BEEN DEFENDING THIS PROJECT, FIGHTING AGAINST TIME, WHILE EXPERTS COMPLETE ASSEMBLING THE LAUNCHING APPARATUS! IF THEY MAKE IT, THAT SUPER-ATOMIC GUIDED MISSILE WILL BE LAUNCHED---AGAINST MOSCOW!
THE END

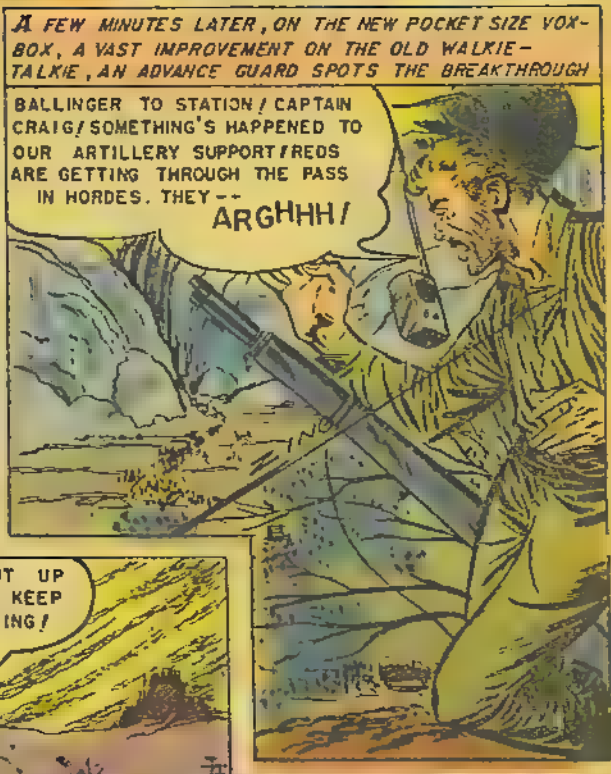
# LAST STAND FOR THE SECRET MISSILE

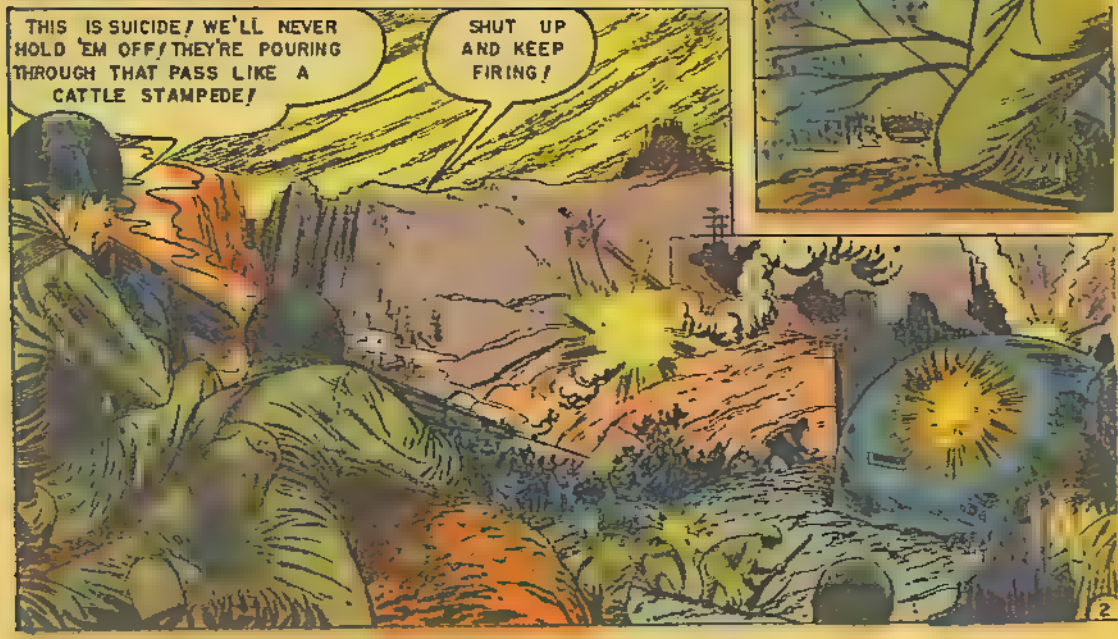
WHEN THE SOVIET GROUND TROOPS BEGAN TO ROLL THROUGH GERMANY, THEY SWEPT BACK NATO FORCES ON ALL FRONTS. ALL EXCEPT THE NEW WEAPONS EXPERIMENTAL STATION AT VERGARDT VALLEY. HERE WITH THE NARROW PASS GUARDED BY STRATEGICALLY PLACED ATOMIC ARTILLERY BATTERIES, THE STATION AND THE INFANTRY COMPANY ASSIGNED TO GUARD IT, STUBBORNLY REFUSED TO EVACUATE - UNTIL PROFESSOR ALAN NEWCASTLE, THE BRILLIANT INVENTOR OF A SUPER-ATOMIC GUIDED MISSILE COULD COMPLETE THE LAUNCHING AND SUPERVISE ITS BLAST AT MOSCOW!
THEY'RE SACRIFICING THEIR MEN LIKE FLIES TRYING TO GET THROUGH THAT PASS! THEIR C O MUST BE NUTS!
NO! JUST PIG-STUBBORN! THEY KNOW SOMETHING IMPORTANT IS GOING ON AT THE EXPERIMENTAL STATION! THEY'RE DETERMINED TO GET THROUGH TO IT!
AND IF THE STATION DOESN'T SOON FINISH UP THAT PROJECT, THE REDS MIGHT MAKE IT! SNIPERS HAVE WIPED OUT OTHER ARTILLERY BATTERIES AND WE DON'T HAVE MANY SHELLS LEFT!
WE GOT TO MAKE 'EM COUNT! HOLD FIRE UNTIL THEY GET THAT PASS FILLED UP AGAIN!
EXCELLENT, VASSILOFF! LISTEN TO AMERICAN DOGS SCREAM AS THEY DIE!

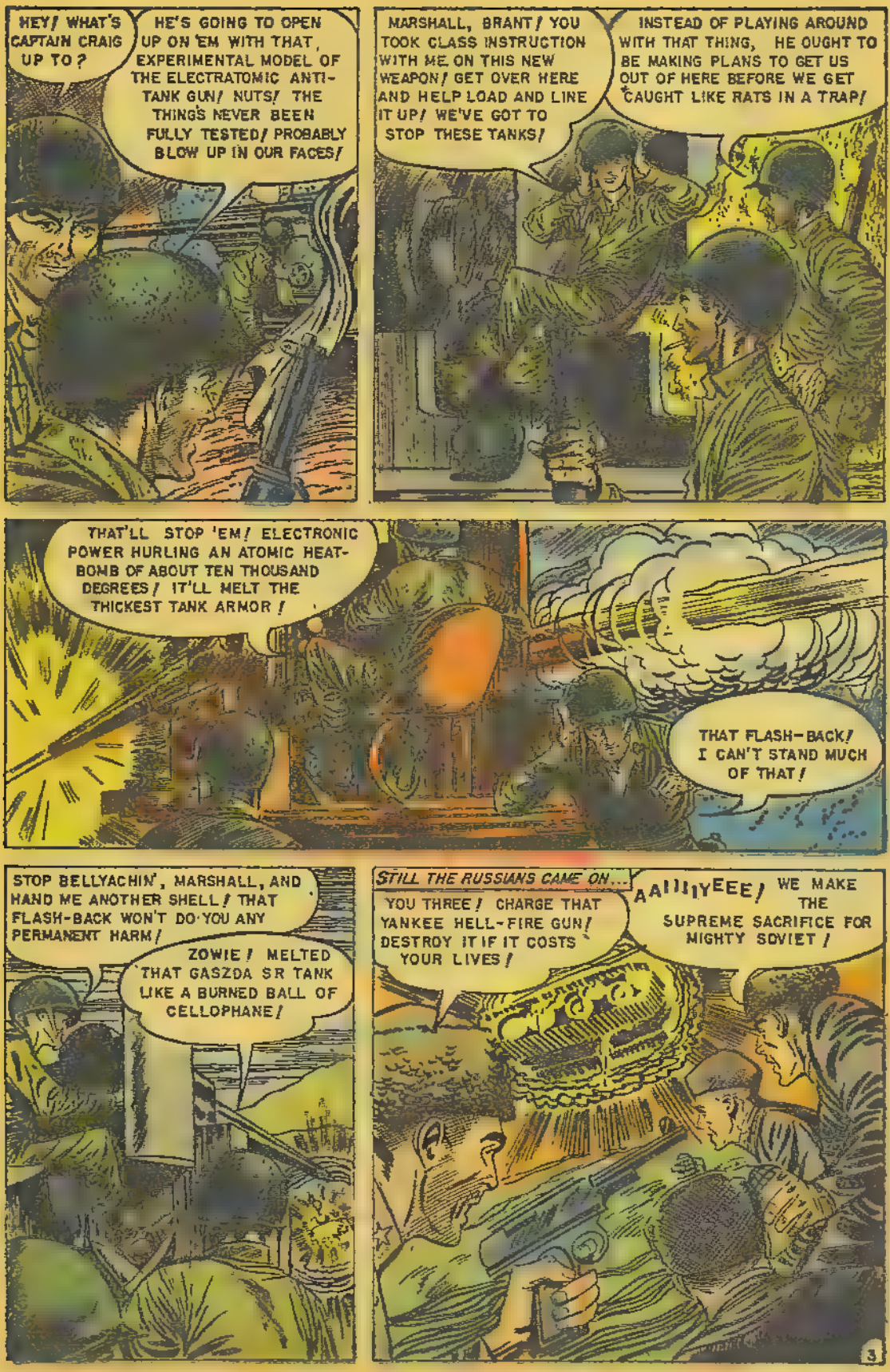

AT THE AMERICAN BATTERY...
C-CAN'T LET-REDS-CAPTURE GUN-LEARN CONSTRUCTION-SECRETS! THERE'S AN ATOMIC CHARGE SET TO DESTROY WHOLE WORKS-IF I-CAN--

AS THE RED SNIPERS APPROACHED THE GUN, THE CREWMAN'S HAND GRASPED THE WIRE RELEASE, YANKED WITH HIS LAST OUNCE OF STRENGTH, AND


QUICKLY THE REDS ADVANCE THROUGH THE PASS...
THAT LAST CURSED ARTILLERY BATTERY IS SILENCED! NOW WE CAN GET THROUGH THE PASS, STORM THEIR EXPERIMENTAL WEAPONS STATION!


A FEW MINUTES LATER, ON THE NEW POCKET SIZE VOX-BOX, A VAST IMPROVEMENT ON THE OLD WALKIE-TALKIE, AN ADVANCE GUARD SPOTS THE BREAKTHROUGH
BALLINGER TO STATION! CAPTAIN CRAIG! SOMETHING'S HAPPENED TO OUR ARTILLERY SUPPORT! REDS ARE GETTING THROUGH THE PASS IN HORDES. THEY--
ARGHHH!


THIS IS SUICIDE! WE'LL NEVER HOLD 'EM OFF! THEY'RE POURING THROUGH THAT PASS LIKE A CATTLE STAMPEDE!
SHUT UP AND KEEP FIRING!


HEY! WHAT'S CAPTAIN CRAIG UP TO?
HE'S GOING TO OPEN UP ON 'EM WITH THAT, EXPERIMENTAL MODEL OF THE ELECTRATOMIC ANTI-TANK GUN! NUTS! THE THING'S NEVER BEEN FULLY TESTED! PROBABLY BLOW UP IN OUR FACES!
MARSHALL, BRANT! YOU TOOK CLASS INSTRUCTION WITH ME ON THIS NEW WEAPON! GET OVER HERE AND HELP LOAD AND LINE IT UP! WE'VE GOT TO STOP THESE TANKS!
INSTEAD OF PLAYING AROUND WITH THAT THING, HE OUGHT TO BE MAKING PLANS TO GET US OUT OF HERE BEFORE WE GET CAUGHT LIKE RATS IN A TRAP!
THAT'LL STOP 'EM! ELECTRONIC POWER HURLING AN ATOMIC HEAT-BOMB OF ABOUT TEN THOUSAND DEGREES! IT'LL MELT THE THICKEST TANK ARMOR!
THAT FLASH-BACK! I CAN'T STAND MUCH OF THAT!
STOP BELLYACHIN', MARSHALL, AND HAND ME ANOTHER SHELL! THAT FLASH-BACK WON'T DO YOU ANY PERMANENT HARM!
ZOWIE! MELTED THAT GASZDA SR TANK LIKE A BURNED BALL OF CELLOPHANE!
STILL THE RUSSIANS CAME ON...
YOU THREE! CHARGE THAT YANKEE HELL-FIRE GUN! DESTROY IT IF IT COSTS YOUR LIVES!
AAIIIIYEEE! WE MAKE THE SUPREME SACRIFICE FOR MIGHTY SOVIET!
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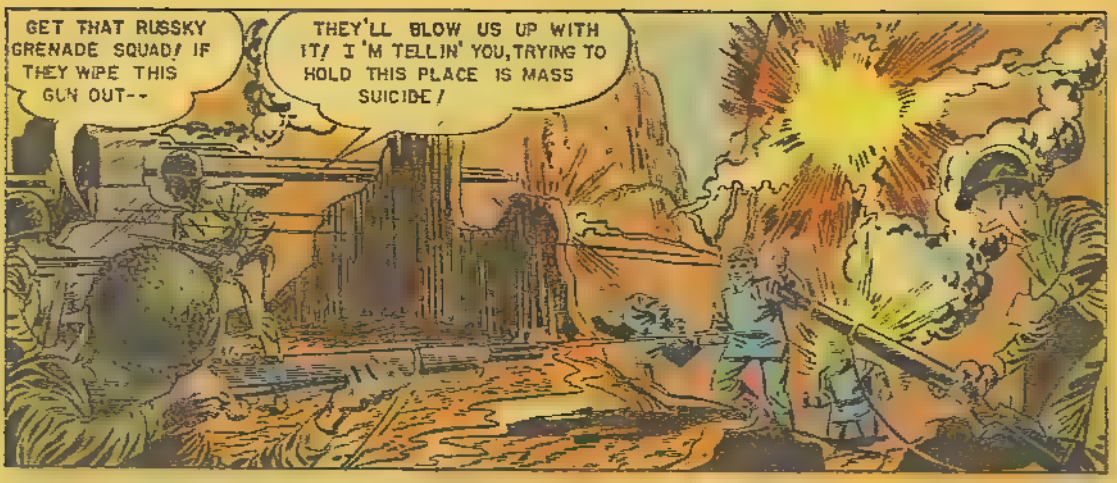
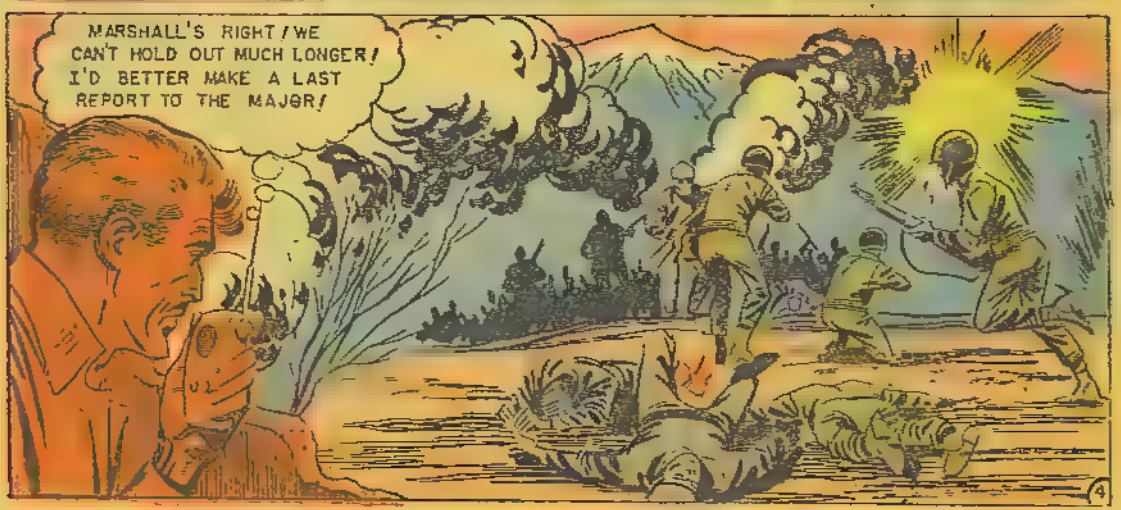

GET THAT RUSSKY GRENADE SQUAD! IF THEY WIPE THIS GUN OUT--
THEY'LL BLOW US UP WITH IT! I 'M TELLIN' YOU, TRYING TO HOLD THIS PLACE IS MASS SUICIDE!

GOT 'EM, CAP'N CRAIG!
BUT THAT LAST ONE PITCHED HIS PINEAPPLE! WATCH OUT! HIT THE DIRT!

WITH THAT ANTI-TANK GUN WE MIGHT HAVE H-H-HELD 'EM OFF! N-N-NOW WE'RE LICKED! I-I CAN'T STAND ANY MORE OF THIS! I-I'VE GOT TO GET OUT OF HERE!

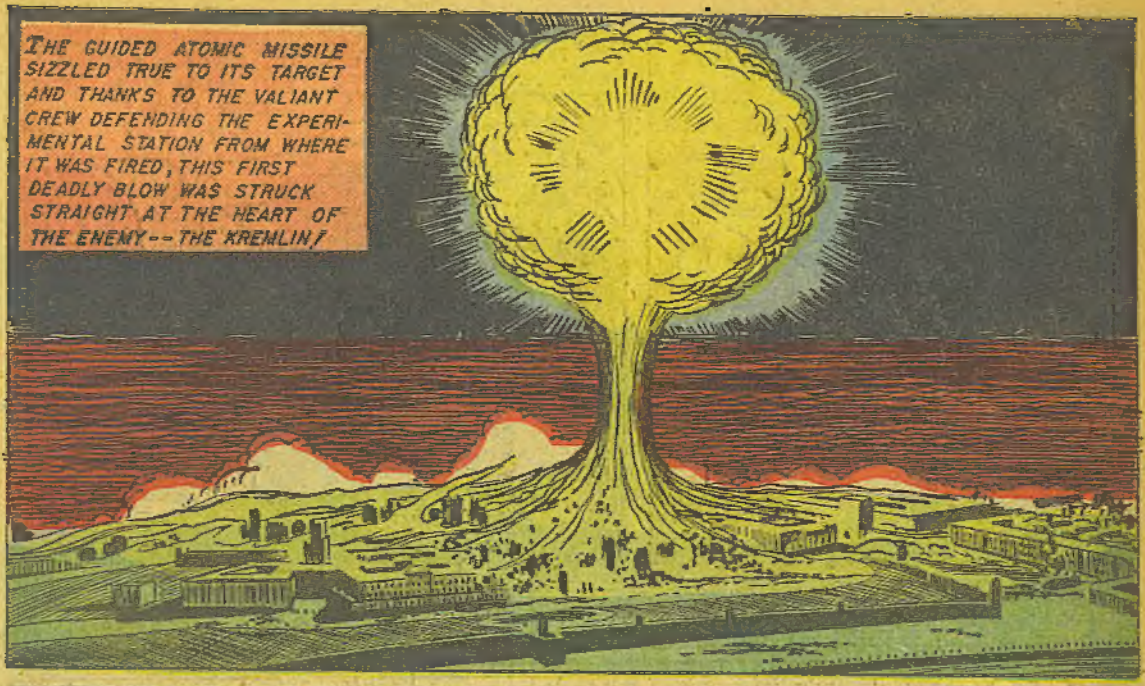
STOP IT, MARSHALL! GET YOURSELF TOGETHER! WE'RE NOT PULLING OUT UNTIL I GET THE ORDER FROM THE MAJOR INSIDE THE EXPERIMENTAL STATION, YOU UNDERSTAND?
I-I KNOW, SIR, BUT IF W-WE DON'T DO IT SOON, IT-IT'LL BE T-TOO LATE!

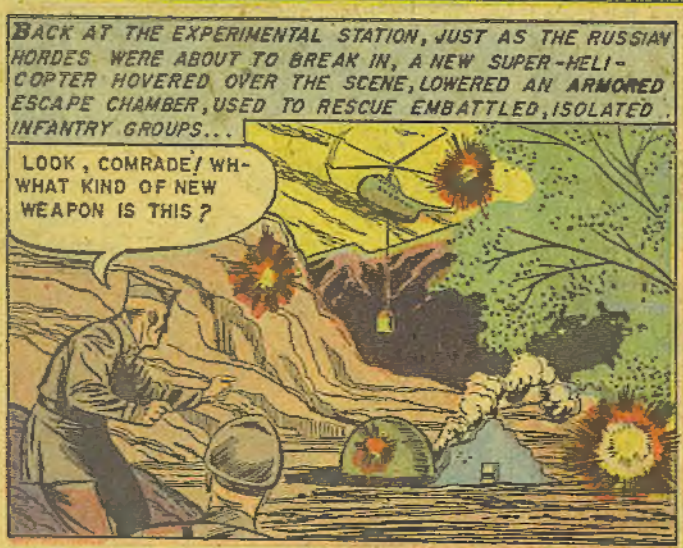

MARSHALL'S RIGHT! WE CAN'T HOLD OUT MUCH LONGER! I'D BETTER MAKE A LAST REPORT TO THE MAJOR!

INSIDE THE EXPERIMENTAL STATION'S GUIDED MISSILE TURRET...
CRAIG REPORTS THAT HIS MEN CAN'T HOLD OUT FOR MORE THAN ANOTHER FIFTEEN MINUTES! PERHAPS NOT EVEN THAT LONG!
OOOH! I'VE GOT TEN MORE ELECTRON-PLUGS TO ADJUST! I DON'T KNOW IF--BUT I'VE GOT TO MAKE IT!
CAP'N CRAIG SAYS HOLD OUT FOR FIFTEEN MORE MINUTES, YOU GUYS, AND WE CAN PULL UP INTO THE HILLS!
WHAT! THERE WON'T BE A MAN LEFT ALIVE HERE IN FIVE MINUTES, LET ALONE FIFTEEN!
FIVE MINUTES LATER...
THEY'RE LIKE CRAZY! THEY KEEP COMING AND COMING! WE GOT TEN MINUTES TO GO AND IT'S GETTING WORSE BY THE SECOND! I-I CAN'T STAND MUCH MORE OF THIS!
EASY, MARSH! WE GOT TO HOLD! WHAT OTHER CHOICE IS THERE?
SURRENDER, THAT'S WHAT! AT LEAST THAT WAY WE'LL STILL BE ALIVE! FROM WHAT I HEAR THE REDS GOT US LICKED EVEN AT HOME, ANYHOW! THE WHOLE BLASTED WAR'LL BE OVER, SOON! I AIN'T GONNA DIE FOR NOTHIN'!
DON'T BE A SCHMOE! IN A SHINDIG LIKE THIS THE REDS WON'T BE TAKIN' ANY PRISONERS! YOU WANT TO GET SHOT WITH YOUR HANDS IN THE AIR? SNAP OUT OF IT, MARSH, AND GET BACK TO WORKIN' THAT GUN!
THERE WAS NO MORE TIME FOR TALK AS RED FOOT SOLDIERS BROKE THROUGH IN SMALL GROUPS AND...
LET 'EM HAVE IT, MARSH!

INSIDE THE EXPERIMENTAL STATION...
ABOUT THREE MINUTES TO GO, PROFESSOR NEWCASTLE!
I KNOW! I KNOW! PLEASE, GOD, STEADY MY FINGERS!
MEANWHILE, OUTSIDE...
HEY! WHO ARE THESE GUYS?
W-WHAT DIFFERENCE DOES IT MAKE? WE COULD GET A THOUSAND NEW MEN AND NOT HOLD OFF THESE RED MADMEN! WE- WE'RE LICKED, I TELL YOU!
WE'RE "TECH" MEN FROM THE EXPERIMENTAL STATION! THEY DON'T NEED US NOW IN THERE! THE COLONEL SENT OUT EVEN THE CLERKS AND COOKS TO HELP YOU GUYS DIG IN FOR A FEW MORE MINUTES!
WE'VE SLOWED 'EM DOWN A LITTLE!
FOR TWO SECONDS! THEY'RE POURING 'EM IN AGAIN! THEY WANT THIS EXPERIMENTAL STATION AND THEY'RE GOING TO GET IT! IT- IT'S HOPELESS, I TELL YOU! I-I CAN'T TAKE IT ANY MORE!
BUT MARSHALL COULDN'T TAKE ANY MORE...
ENOUGH! ENOUGH! SURRENDERSKY!
MARSHALL, YOU JERK! COME BACK! COME BACK!

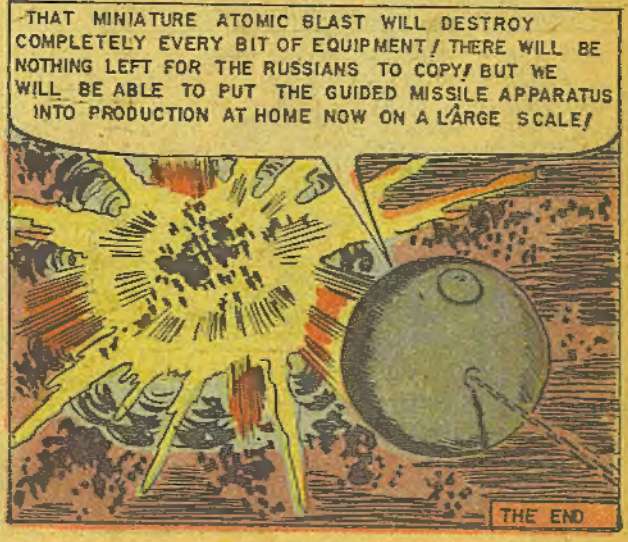
NO SURRENDER FOR STUPID, STUBBORN YANKEE SWINE WHO TAKE SO MANY SOVIET LIVES!
FINALLY THE AMERICANS GOT THE LONG-AWAITED WORD. . .
THEY'RE READY INSIDE THE ARMORED BUILDING! FALL BACK SLOWLY, BUT KEEP FIRING!
AT LEAST SOME OF US MADE IT!
YEAH! AND THEY WON'T BE ABLE TO BREAK IN UNTIL WE'VE SEEN THE PROFESSOR TAKE HIS POTSHOT AT MOSCOW WITH THAT NEW GIMMICK! AFTER I SEE THAT I'LL BE ABLE TO SPIT IN A RUSSKY'S FACE WITH MY LAST BREATH!
MEANWHILE, INSIDE THE STATION...
THERE SHE GOES! WITH THE KREMLIN'S ADDRESS ON HER NOSE!
AS THE DEADLY GUIDED MISSILE WHOOSHED UPWARD TOWARD ITS TARGET, THE RED SOLDIERS WATCHED, STUNNED...
WHAT THE--? WHAT ARE THE FOOLS SHOOTING AT WITH THAT FIERY THING?
THAT MISSILE HOLDS THE BLASTING POWER OF AN ATOMIC BOMB! IT IS DIFFICULT TO SHOOT DOWN - AND EVEN IF IT IS, AT LEAST NO PLANES OR LIVES ARE LOST!


THE GUIDED ATOMIC MISSILE SIZZLED TRUE TO ITS TARGET AND THANKS TO THE VALIANT CREW DEFENDING THE EXPERIMENTAL STATION FROM WHERE IT WAS FIRED, THIS FIRST DEADLY BLOW WAS STRUCK STRAIGHT AT THE HEART OF THE ENEMY--THE KREMLIN!


BACK AT THE EXPERIMENTAL STATION, JUST AS THE RUSSIAN HORDES WERE ABOUT TO BREAK IN, A NEW SUPER-HELICOPTER HOVERED OVER THE SCENE, LOWERED AN ARMORED ESCAPE CHAMBER, USED TO RESCUE EMBATTLED, ISOLATED INFANTRY GROUPS...
LOOK, COMRADE! WH-WHAT KIND OF NEW WEAPON IS THIS?

WE'RE SAVED! THEY DIDN'T FORGET US! WE'RE SAVED!

I NEVER THOUGHT WE'D GET OUT OF THAT TRAP ALIVE, PROFESSOR!
AND INDEED IT IS A TRAP, SOLDIER! BUT FOR THE REDS-NOT US! THE PLACE IS STUFFED WITH ATOMIC BOOBY TRAPS! WHEN THEY BREAK IN AND START SNOOPING AROUND... WATCH!


THAT MINIATURE ATOMIC BLAST WILL DESTROY COMPLETELY EVERY BIT OF EQUIPMENT! THERE WILL BE NOTHING LEFT FOR THE RUSSIANS TO COPY! BUT WE WILL BE ABLE TO PUT THE GUIDED MISSILE APPARATUS INTO PRODUCTION AT HOME NOW ON A LARGE SCALE!
THE END